



Upper Uwchlan Township
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORKSHOP

December 10, 2013

4:00 p.m.

Minutes

Approved

In attendance:

Guy Donatelli, Chair
Cathy Tomlinson, Vice-Chair
Kevin Kerr, Supervisor

Cary Vargo, Township Manager
Gwen Jonik, Township Secretary
John DeMarco, Police Chief

The Workshop was held in the Township Building Conference Room due to renovation activity in the Schoolhouse.

Cathy Tomlinson called the Workshop to order at 4:03 p.m., as Guy Donatelli would be arriving a few minutes late, and adjusted the agenda to begin with the Township Manager's Report.

Township Manager's Report

Cary Vargo highlighted several projects from his report: the Schoolhouse renovations – replace floor, painting -- are occurring throughout the month of December; the Act 167 Storm Water Management Plan Ordinance was reviewed by the Township Planning Commission and they recommended approval at their November meeting; the proposed 2014 Budget includes the design and/or installation of several trail connections – along Route 100 from Windsor Ridge to Texas Eastern's driveway, on Little Conestoga Road from the Reserve at Waynebrook to Park Road, and along Little Conestoga Road from Park Road to Seaboldt Way which the Village Concept Committee requests should be sidewalk in this section for consistency within the Village -- the Board would like to delay the segment from Park Road to Seaboldt Way; after meetings with the Village Concept Committee and Eagle Village business/property owners in, the Village Transportation Plan is being finalized in December by McMahon Associates; trespass activity has been occurring at the Lakeridge wastewater disposal fields and posting the property may be in order; the County is researching locations in our vicinity for a radio tower (350' tall). Toll has given permission for the County to investigate the Route 100 Wastewater Treatment Plant property; the Chester County Tax Collection Committee has entered a new 5-year contract with Keystone Collection, locking in the earned income tax collection contract rate for 5 years; the Dorlan Mill Road bridge was reopened December 4 and is 1-lane only; and the County's Application to the Zoning Hearing Board regarding the Struble Trail Trailhead Improvement Plan will be heard December 30, 2013.

Marsh Creek Eagles – Fellowship Fields Field House Presentation

Dan Driscoll and Malik Feamster presented a proposal to construct a 2-story 20' x 60' Field House at Fellowship Fields to include a press box, a community room for league meetings, public restrooms, player-equipment storage, and concessions. The Field House would be located where the bleachers are currently, the bleachers will be moved forward, and the blue shed, equipment trailer and Coke stand will be removed. The project is a joint donation effort of the Marsh Creek Eagles (MCE) and the Glenmoore Eagle Youth Association (GEYA), however, they'd request the Township fund the restroom amenities -- purchase, installation and connection to the public sewer system. The rough estimate for the building is \$150,000+ and the restroom facilities will be estimated separately, perhaps \$25,000. The building exterior is

proposed as block wall for the first floor and cement siding for the second floor – both painted, emergency and security exterior lighting. Dan advised the existing site plan is being revised for the land development process. The proposal will return to the Planning Commission when the site plan is revised and more detailed estimates are available.

Proposed 2014 Budget – Review

East Brandywine Fire Company's (EBFC) Fire Chief, John Edwards, presented EBFC's 2014 budget and asked the Board to consider contributing an additional \$8,000 above the annual contribution to assist with the fit-out of a recently acquired 2011 Polaris Ranger ATV for off-road rescue events which replaced a makeshift brush vehicle. They've also requested additional funding from the other Townships they serve – East Brandywine and West Brandywine. The ATV seats 5 personnel in the 'cab'. The fit-out involves the purchase of a skid unit to contain a *stokes basket* for transporting victims, which mounts to the back of the ATV. The ATV will also serve for brush fires as it can contain water tanks holding up to 75 gallons. A flatbed trailer to transport the ATV to rescue events will also have to be purchased. This ATV would benefit Upper Uwchlan in response to incidents in Marsh Creek State Park such as equestrian, boating, or fishing accidents and in other areas of the Township that are difficult to access for EMS and fire-fighting activity. Kevin Kerr asked how many incidents there have been in Upper Uwchlan where this vehicle would've been beneficial. Chief Edwards advised there may have been 4 EMS incidents in recent years in Upper Uwchlan, and perhaps 6-10 brush fires in East Brandywine and West Brandywine Townships where this unit would've been beneficial. When the unit isn't in use by East Brandywine Fire Company, it's available for mutual aid response elsewhere. The life expectancy of the skid unit is @ 20 years. The Board asked Chief Edwards to provide statistics from the past few years where this unit would've been used and will consider the request.

Adjournment

Guy Donatelli adjourned the Workshop at 5:53 p.m. and the Board held an Executive Session regarding personnel, real estate, and legal matters.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen A. Jonik
Township Secretary